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INDO-ISRAEL DEFENCE CONTRACT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any multicrore defence contract has been signed between India and Israel recently for purchase of Barak Missile Defence system;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith terms and condition agreed for;

(c) whether a similar system was assigned to be developed by DRDO sometime back; and

(d) if so, the progress made in that regard so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): Contracts for procurement of Barak Anti Missile Defence Systems for installation on front-line ships of the Navy and for procurement of missiles have been signed with Israel last year. It will not be in the interest of national security to disclose further details in the matter.

(c) & (d): The Anti Missile Defence System being developed by DRDO is different as it does not employ vertical launch system technology.